

**REMARKS**

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration in view of the amendment and following remarks. Support for amended claim 1 can be found in the specification on page 4, lines 21-26. The applicant has amended claim 7 as suggested by the Examiner. The applicant appreciates the Examiner pointing out this error. Support for newly added claim 19 can be found in the specification at page 5, lines 10-14. Support for newly added claim 20 can be found in the specification on page 5, lines 1-5 and the original claim 1. Support for newly added claims 21 through 33 can be found in the original claims 3-10. Support for newly added claims 34 and 35 can be found in the original claim 13.

Claims 1-35 are now in this application. Claims 19-35 have been added. Claims 1 and 20 are the independent claims. The fee of \$750.00 is authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 03-2775, under Order No. 05129-00103-US from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

The Examiner requested a certified copy of the priority document, which the applicant has enclosed.

Claims 1-18 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, as being failing to comply with the written description requirement. Claims 1-18 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, because the specification, while being enabling for preparing several amino acid derivatives by using ... . Claims 1-18 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. The applicant respectfully traverses these rejections.

The applicant believes that the claims as amended are in compliance with 35 U.S.C. 112, first and second paragraphs.

In independent claim 1, the applicant has further defined that the amino acid derivatives which can be obtained by periodate oxidation, ozonolysis or Baeyer-Villiger oxidation of an unsaturated group. The claim as amended is directed to a specific group of derivatives.

The applicant believes that organic amine is clear to one of ordinary skill in the art. The organic amine requires by definition carbon, nitrogen. In addition, the organic amine further requires that the amino functionality of which is protected.

Independent claim 20 requires that the amino acid derivatives selected from  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma$ ,  $\delta$ , or  $\epsilon$ -amino acids. The claim is directed to a specific group of derivatives.

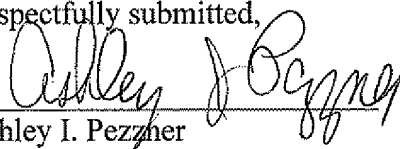
The applicant again believes that these claims are enabled and the applicant further does not believe that any undue experimentation is required for the scope of these claims. For the above reasons, these rejections should be withdrawn.

In view of the above amendment, applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance.

A two month extension of time has been paid. Applicant believes no additional fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 03-2775, under Order No. 05129-00103-US from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

Respectfully submitted,

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